

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of  
Paulo Cesar PEREGRINO FERREIRA et al.  
Serial No. (unknown)  
Filed herewith

METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR THE  
DIAGNOSIS OF EQUINE INFECTIOUS  
ANEMIA VIRUS DISEASE BY USING  
THE RECOMBINANT CAPSID PROTEIN  
VIRUS (P26)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action and calculation of the filing fee, please substitute pages 1-7 of the specification as published, with pages 1-7 attached hereto and marked "AMENDED SHEET". Please also substitute Claims 1-3 as originally filed with Claims 1-3 as filed in the Article 34 amendment of February 22, 1999. These pages containing Claims 1-3 are marked "AMENDED SHEET" and are also attached hereto.

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The above changes in the specification and claims merely place the national phase application in the same

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